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Christopher Calfee, Special Counsel
Attn: CEQA Guidelines
California Resources Agency
1017 L Street #2223
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We are pleased to have the opportunity to address the proposed CEQA Guidelines especially as they will relate to new information and policies directed at GHG.

Areas of concern to our Breathe California of Sacramento Emigrant Trails are directed at the transportation/land use/ public health nexus. Our new monitoring and research projects on fine particulates and air toxics is confirming that the impacts of transportation particularly arterials in urban and suburban areas impacts significantly public health.

CEQA offers the opportunity to utilize fine particulate monitoring to define mitigation needed along traffic arterials. Mitigation is key and we are conducting monitoring and new research on tree mitigation that holds the promise of dramatically reducing fine particulates along these corridors. This mitigation should be integrated into revised CEQA Guidelines.

We also urge expanded identification of land use relationships, complete streets design and movement away from Level of Service in the new Guidelines in order to improve public health.

If we can share additional information about our work, we would be most happy to share our research.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Kori Titus
CEO